

THE CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance. Acts 2:4.

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Redeeming Time Because Days are Evil

Let Us Make This the Greatest Year for the Church of God and the Lord Will Bless You.

E. C. Clark

For several weeks this subject has been ringing in our hearts and ears; seemingly there is a call in our hearts, to those that are allowing the time to pass without doing their best.

TIME IS SHORT

As we view the chaotic conditions of earth today, we can readily see the passing of civilization, there never has been in earth's history just such a state of affairs existing as there is today, kings and presidents of all nations view with much alarm the awful conditions that are facing the governments of the nations.

Statesmen and Congressmen stand amazed and stunned at the awful crisis just ahead, and while the League of Nations, and all its associates are searching for a means whereby they may establish peace, and bring about some remedy to protect, and restore to the nations peace and safety, there is one thing sure there can be no lasting peace until not only the nations, but individual mankind accept the Prince of Peace, a restoration can come alone through Him.

And while there is boasting of a promised peace, as an effect of the workings of the various agencies that are trying to establish peace, yet the Prophet says they cry, Peace, peace; when there is no peace, (Jer. 6:14) and when they shall cry Peace and safety; sudden destruction cometh upon them. (1 Thes. 5:3).

It seems to me that the governments have, and are seeing the "handwriting on the wall" and are trying to avert it, but all the various signs of the times, according to God's Word are pointing with unerring certainty, to the very fact that civilization is today standing on the pinnacle of destruction.

The Gentile nations have almost finished their course, but not "with joy." We are today fast reaching the day of the age, when the "Smiting Stone" of Dan. 2:34, shall smite the "Golden Image," and crush it to the earth, ushering in the fulfillment of (Rev. 11:15). Wherein, "The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.

God is tired of "Imagery." He is tired of false worship, and of an offending kingdom, and soon shall be established the peaceful kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ. The nations of earth today are like a filthy stream, carrying the scum of all past sins and filthiness into the "Sea of Apostasy," which can only be purged by the besom of destruction.

Crime On The Increase
That we are on the verge of destruction, is an undisputable fact. The deepening iniquity of the entire populace, is a substantial evidence. If we take our own nation, as an evidence, we will find ourselves amazed, that while we have the highest ethical rank among the nations, and also the wealthiest, we will be somewhat surprised to find that, the murders in America, between 1912 and 1918, exceeded by 9,050, the total American death toll, in the Great War, 59,377, with 135,000 murders at large in the U. S. To realize says Judge Kavanagh, of the Superior Court of Chicago, the prevalence of this invisible class, (Continued on page 3)

Sharing God's Word

"Great peace have they that love thy law."

"One day at the front," says a soldier, "when death and destruction were all around, and when one knew not how soon he would be summoned in the presence of God, several desired to read from His Book concerning the solemn things of life and death. But only one Testament was available. How to multiply it was the problem and to solve the difficulty the little book was torn page from page, each man receiving a portion. So there in the trenches, as the enemy's shells flew overhead, the soldier boys pored over the sacred Word, seeking in it some message of strength and comfort to answer to the strange circumstances in which they found themselves.—Selected.

God's Presence Manifested During Program

This beautiful day finds us at Dalton, Ga., rejoicing in the love of God and with victory. We certainly did have a good time on Christmas eve. We had a nice program; the Bible School band boys came and furnished good singing and music. Sister Roso Chesseur preached on the Savior that was born in Bethlehem of Judea. Saints came from Calhoun, Crane Eater, and Spring Place.

During the singing and music the power fell several times and the saints shouted, danced and talked in tongues. The children present received a gift. Then on Christmas day Sister Weeks and myself were taken by surprise. The saints slipped into my home and loaded two tables with good things to eat. I never saw such a dinner. I thank God for the saints at Dalton, who love God and their pastor. People here have decided that we are true Church of God folks. They pay tithes too with some exception. If Brother Llewellyn will let me I am going to say, Hurrah, for the great Church of God and our Captain, Jesus.

We felt honored by having such nice young men as the Bible students with us. I believe they are an honor to the cause, and are men who will do something for God. For fear the editor will throw this letter in the waste basket I will close, with best wishes to all the saints. J. B. Weeks, Pastor.

NEW CHURCH IN NORTH CAROLINA

LENOIR, N. C.—I am sending a report of the work here at Hartland. Since September 1, 13 have been saved, about 12 sanctified and 10 have received the Holy Ghost, also one came in the Church of God.

We have a new church set in order here, the clerks address is: G. W. Lamberth, R. 2 Morganton, N. C.

Pray that the work will continue to prosper at this place.—Walter Barney.

EVANGELISTIC WORKERS WANTED IN OKLAHOMA

I would like to say that Okla. is a needy field. We have been here several months and have a Sunday School started in the school house and have permission from the Judge to hold services in the school house. The people here seem to be interested and are glad to listen to the Word. I would like for some good helpers to come here and help get a work started at this place. Mrs. C. G. Miller, Route 2, Box 142, Henryetta, Okla.

Miss Beatrix' Mission Is to Make Others Happy

The Evangel is the Medium Used

F. J. Lee

"Ellick," said Mrs. Jerusha "thar comes a woman tored the house an' I just believe she's an old book agent, an' I ain't got no use for no sich. She'll hang round' for an hour an' I won't get my night work done up."

"Good evening," said the lady on approaching the door, is this Mrs. Jerusha? "Yes," said the lady of the house, "and who be you?"

"I am Miss Beatrix," said the lady at the door, "will you kindly allow me a few minutes of your time that I may introduce to you something that brings peace and happiness to the home, enlightens every member of the family, instructs them in the way of righteousness and shows them how they may gain a home among the redeemed who have gone before to a better country?"

"w," said Mrs. Jerusha, "I don't want any better country than we have up here in these mountings, this is the best corn land up these hollars you've ever seed, so I don't keer anything 'bout your reel state papers."

"You misunderstand me, Mrs. Jerusha," said Miss Beatrix. "This isn't real estate papers I am trying to introduce, but it is the Church of God Evangel—and I"—

"Yes, well that haint any better," said Mrs. Jerusha, "cause there comed in these hollars about six months ago, a man who claimed to have evangelis papers an he showed 'em to some of the fellers up here an' they sed it was shore nuf vangelis papers, an it went long till the officers was after him fer boot-leggin, so I don't keer anything about your evangelis papers."

"I am very sorry indeed," said Miss Beatrix, "that any man would dare to show himself so unwise to pass himself off as a minister of the gospel in order to perform wicked deeds under the cloak of religion and the ministry, but let me tell you my dear sister, this beautiful little paper has nothing whatever to do with the case you have just mentioned. This paper I am showing to you is the organ of the Church of God."

"We don't need any organ we've got a fiddle an' french harp," said Mrs. Jerusha.

"You yet fail to grasp the importance of my mission," said Miss Beatrix, "I am trying to introduce to you a paper of which God Himself is author. At the Assembly in 1910 the brethren while in prayer received a revelation that we should start a paper and with a unanimous agreement it was launched. It has been going ever since that date and has brought peace and happiness to thousands of sad hearts, many testify that they have been healed of diseases by placing the paper on their afflicted body."

Miss Beatrix Strikes Keynote

"You don't tell me," said Mrs. Jerusha, "Is that so? I'll declare if it will do that, hit would be good for hit to come up in these hollars, for lots times we can't hardly git the doctors to come up in here. I'd like to have it if it is good for headache, backache and sich like. How fast does hit come?"

"You mean, how often," said Miss Beatrix. "Well it will come to your mail box once a week, just as regular as the week comes around you may be able to enjoy its pages, unless it has been sidetracked in some way without the knowledge of the

editor and publisher, because he makes every effort possible to send it forth on its mission. Perhaps you are now inquiring in your mind what the price is for the paper the entire year. The price is one dollar and a half per year, but if I can get your name with two others, each of you may join the club at one dollar each."

"That shore does sound good to me," said Mrs. Jerusha, "but I haint got the money unless I can get hit from the old man, I'll call 'im—Dad kin you give me a dollar to git the Church of God paper? I believe hits a good thing, she says hits good for the blues, and sad hearts and even heals us of diseases, hit shore would save you a many a doctor bill if hit will do all that."

"Well ole woman," said Mr. Jerusha, "if hit will straiten you up and take that frown off of your face, and bring peace in our home as she says, I'll give you the dollar."

Mrs. Jerusha Returns With the Dollar

"I got hit, Miss Beatrix," said Mrs. Jerusha, "I kept on after him till he give me the dollar, and I am satisfied I kin get Bill Jones and Sam Lee to be the other two to scribe, so I'm goin' to look for hit next Saturday sure."

"What is your address," said Miss Beatrix, "I want to put it down exactly right because I do not want you to miss a single copy, I am sure that you will become greatly attached to the paper and will drop everything when it comes and will continue reading it until you have finished every item."

"My 'dress is Coon Hollar, Tennessee," said Mrs. Jerusha, "the mail carrier comes up this hollar twice a week I sure want him to bring hit on the last comin, an I'll go down and see Bill Jones an Sam Lee an see if I kin git them to take hit."

"I am certainly glad to have met you, Mrs. Jerusha," said Miss Beatrix, "and I thank you for the subscription, you may think that you were too poor to invest this much in a paper since you have a large family to care for, but I am sure that you will never regret it when you see what an advantage it will be to your boys, it will turn their little minds into the ways of righteousness."

"Well I'm sure glad you come roun," said Mrs. Jerusha, "I thought you was an old book agent, but I'm 'bout to side you are an angel of mercy an' truth I shore am glad this vangelis paper come to my house an' I shore will read ever' word uf hit an' then lone hit to my neighbors an' try to git them scribe for hit, I feels like my burdens will not be so heavy, an' the ole man will treat me better, an' the children will not be so mean."

"Well Mrs. Jerusha it is about time for the bus to arrive," said Miss Beatrix, "so I will bid you adieu, and I sincerely hope that you will be greatly pleased with the Church of God Evangel. I have several places to visit this afternoon, I think I will go to Calhoun and also to Tasso, so here comes the bus, good bye, and may the dear Lord bless you."

Glossary

Beatrix, means, making happy. This is the mission of Miss Beatrix.

Jerusha, means possessed — married. Mrs. Jerusha being a married

Transfiguring Lives

It is said that Queen Victoria visited a paper mill, and seeing the heaps of filthy rags asked what they were used for. "To make fine white paper," answered the superintendent. "But they are discolored and filthy." "Not after we have had a chance at them," was the answer. Later the queen received a package of beautiful stationery from this very mill, and it was inscribed, "Made from the rag heap which the queen saw." Our Lord so transfigures common duties that they become heavenly service such as the angels might covet. He so transfigures some lives that they become extraordinary, even divine.—Selected.

Old Time Revival— 33 Receive Blessing

SALEM, W. Va.—The power of God is falling at Salem in the old time way. I started a meeting here Nov. 18, in what used to be the old Roman Catholic church and truly God has been here in power.

The first night of the meeting, the power of God came down and the crowds have been so large they could not get in the building and they would try to look in at the windows to see the power of God.

All classes attended the meeting. Three doctors took a stand with us and are now believers of the truth, and are seeking for the Holy Ghost. 55 were saved, 35 sanctified and 33 filled with the Holy Ghost, many were in the altar; also a church was set in order with 37 members and more to come in. A Sunday school also was set in order with five classes. Sixty-five were out the first time and we're expecting one hundred next Sunday.

We have organized Young People's meeting and there were one hundred fifty out for the first meeting. We expect to have a church building up within sixty days. It was no trouble to get them to see the light on the Church of God and since the main members came out from other churches the devil is stirred, but what need we to fear, if God be for us who can be against us? Brother B. E. Drummond from Parkersburg was with us for three nights, we put him in the harness and how he did pull and preached some fine sermons. We have put Brother Ballard over the work he is a fine little preacher and has a good band of people in Clarksburg, W. Va., where we expect to hold a meeting next Sunday.

While at the General Assembly I looked about and saw what men we had in the Church of God and my heart longed to be back on the field to work for the church, and I want to do more this year than any year yet. When you pray, please breathe a prayer for this little evangelist, that God will keep him humble at His feet.—D. R. Moreland, Evangelist.

lady having a large family is overwhelmed with household cares.

Ellick is short for Alexander, which means defender of men. Ellick was willing to give to his wife the money if it would prove to be his future defense when Mrs. Jerusha became vexed.

Not Able to Help In Harvest Field

If Government is Good for the Church of God It is Also Good for Its Officers.

F. M. McLendon

This statement has been made in my presence so many times since I have been in the ministerial work that I decided to study the truthfulness of the same. I couldn't tell how many times I have heard this doleful story, from the mouths of all classes, the rich and poor alike. Now I am of the opinion that this is just a smooth falsehood told by many. I don't think anyone ever gets too poor to help in this great cause. In the first place, Paul declares a man is accepted in that he hath and not that he hath not, that there must first be a willing mind. Here is the key note—the willing mind.

You show me the individual, regardless of wealth or poverty that's willing, and I'll prove to you that that is the party that is doing something for God; one who is willing to work, pray, sing or shout under any kind of circumstances and will pull to the front for victory whether everything exactly suits or not.

Many people will work hard and preach loyalty to others as long as everything is heaped on the other fellow's head but when the tide turns their way they are ready to puff up and complain about the situation. Brother, preacher, if you have been preaching loyalty to your congregation, now swallow your pill, it may be a bit bitter sometime but it will do you good. If government is good for the Church of God, it is also good for its officers. If we as ministers of the Church of God cannot pull together for the advancement of the cause we cannot expect the members to be loyal. We can help this great work along in many ways and should boost the church in its every department.

The mission work has been hampered greatly of late. Where is the fault? Is it in the church or in the ministry? I say it is in the ministry. Of course, I am willing to plead guilty now. I noticed that the Assembly passed on the rule that each pastor should raise \$1.00 per member for missions. I am just wondering how many preachers can go to the next one and say I've been loyal along this line."

Great God, help us to help God answer our prayers to see the Church of God grow and move on. Let's all pull together for the advancement of the cause of Christ. The members can do their part also, none is left with an excuse. We hear some one say, "I'm not able to, I wish I was though." But those folks (some exception of course) can buy anything they need for the family, silk dresses for the wife and nice things for the family in general but let the pastor's needs be mentioned and they can get up and look so sympathetic and offer their hard luck story—"Not able to help," but it seems that they can always manage to help themselves to nice, new things; buy automobiles and spend the Lord's tenth for gasoline and then have the audacity to meet the preacher with a little amount of tithes and say "I wish I were able to pay my tithes." Say brother, I don't believe no such stuff, you owe God His tenth as much so as you owe the bank the interest on his money. I have gone in need, worked with my hands and suffered with folks when I knew they were holding back my wages or what was due me (their tenth), and at the same time (Continued on page 4)

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We will do our best to keep from making mistakes, but if we make a mistake we will take pleasure in correcting it if you notify us.

We invite all the workers to send us reports of interest from the battlefield. If nothing else, a postal card telling where you are this week.

Help to make the Evangel a medium of information as well as a spiritual blessing.

Entered as second-class mail matter March 1, 1910, at Cleveland, Tennessee under the act of March 3, 1879. Acceptance for mailing at special rate of postage provided for in section 1103, Act of October 3rd, 1917. Authorized August 22nd, 1918.

Sister Bertha (Hilbun) Haynes informs us that her father, Brother A. F. Hilbun of Kentwood, La., died at 10:40 a. m. on January 1, 1926. We rejoice to learn that he had made the necessary preparation for the life beyond. We desire to extend our heartfelt sympathy to Sister Hilbun, all of the sons, daughters, relatives and friends of the deceased, Brother Hilbun was born October 26, 1850 and died Jan. 1, 1926; age 75 years.

The Overseer of Oklahoma informs us that E. H. Nelson is telling the people that there was no evidence against him in the recent hearing before the supreme judges. To this we cannot agree as there was some very damaging testimony against him and on the whole record the supreme judges confirmed the decision of the State Board; also the decision of the local church with reference to his membership, therefore, he is no longer a minister or member of the Church of God. The judges have no disposition to give this matter any unnecessary publicity any further than to protect the interest of the church and our people.

The local Bible Training School continues with interest in the study of the Word. A great number of students are especially preparing themselves for a life of Christian service. Some of them are depending on the Lord and those who are interested in carrying the gospel to the nations of the earth to assist them at this important time. A few have responded to our special notice in the past for which we are glad but there are other worthy students who need some special help at this time. Surely this will be a good investment of the Lord's money.

Now inasmuch as we are entering on the work of another year I am sure we all desire that it shall be the best and most successful year of our life. We can aid each other in making it so by a hearty co-operation with each other in our work. If every minister and worker on the field would especially co-operate with Headquarters in taking subscriptions and renewals for the CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL and remind the general public of our books, Bibles, Testaments, job printing etc., it certainly would be fine and highly appreciated by the management at Headquarters. Will you do this bit?

Requests

I want all of the saints to pray for the complete healing of my body that I may be able to do more and work for the salvation of lost souls.
 Fannie J. Holmes.

Pray for Sister Katherine Prow of Equality, Ill. to be healed and that her husband will receive the Holy Ghost.

A sister from Toledo, Ohio requests prayer for the healing of her body. Pray earnestly, she must have help. Also pray for her mother that she may be

NOTICES

This is to notify you that my future address will be Tyronza, Ark. instead of Haynes, Ark.
 J. M. Viney, Overseer of Ark.

To Whom It May Concern:

This is to inform you that L. K. Jackway is not a minister or member of the Church of God and it appears that he is very extensively advertising himself as an elder or minister in the Church of God vested with power to heal etc. Our people would do well to beware.

M. W. Letsinger, Overseer of Illinois

The Church of God at Knoxville, Tenn. wishes to know the whereabouts and spiritual condition of the following members:

J. W. White, Georgia White, May Maples, Myrtle Adams, A. H. Thomas, Flora McNesh, Arvil Walters, Sallie Walters, Anna Johnson, Tessie Cooper, Ollie May Johann, Steria Jackson, Pearl Brabson, Lillian Sweatmon, Lula Palmer, Sis Fortner, Ida Foster, Wilda Foster.

And oblige,

W. H. Hindmon, Pastor, Florida McLain, Clerk, Knoxville, Tenn., Rt. 3.

NOTICE

To Whom This May Concern:

We understand that reports are being circulated that H. L. Whittington has backslidden and left his wife and little children and has eloped with another woman.

We herewith declare to the public that these rumors are

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healed of asthma.

I request the prayers of the saints everywhere to pray that my mother will be healed. She suffers with her back. Please pray earnestly to God for her healing.—Mrs. Hattie Crews.

Sister Dorous Wiggs requests prayer for the healing of her body, and that she may receive the Holy Ghost. Miss Vemo Piercer requests prayer for the healing of her body.

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false and without foundation, as H. L. Whittington is a resident of Cleveland, Tennessee, living happily with his wife and children and is a regular attendant student of the Bible school.

We have been associated with Brother Whittington for quite awhile and we find him to be a genuine, upright, Christian gentleman.

We know not how these rumors, which are calculated to be very hurtful, ever became circulated, unless it is that Satan played upon the mind of some enemy of true holiness, hoping to kill the influence of a true minister of God.

Brother Whittington has a great influence in Tennessee, and every one who becomes acquainted with him loves him.

F. J. LEE, General Overseer.

HOME COMING DAY WEST FRANKFORT, ILL.

Home Coming Day for the members of the Church of God at West Frankfort, Ill., Jan. 31, 1926. We earnestly request each member to be present on that day with a well filled basket. Everybody is cordially invited. We are expecting our State Overseer to be with us. Come and enjoy a feast from the Lord.

J. B. Warren, Clerk.

CORRECTION

The offering of \$3.92 received Dec. 10 from R. H. Vaught printed in the Evangel in the orphanage report, should have read from the church at Lego, W. Va., \$5.62.

WHO WILL COME TO OUR RESCUE?

LAWRENCEBURG, Tenn.—For weeks I have felt impressed to write to the Evangel. We have no Church of God here and we can hardly wait for the Evangel as it is food to our souls.

Almost all kinds of churches are here except the Church of God. The other churches are real nice to us and invite us to meet with them.

There is nothing like the dear old Church of God to me, and no church of God people here except Brother and Sister McCoy. There are so many precious souls here without God and without hope. Oh who will come to their rescue?

I have cried, prayed and agonized with God for a Church. I have been burdened till at times I could not sleep. Saints, please pray for a Church of God at Lawrenceburg, Tenn.

Mrs. Mary Wallace.

ENJOYING SALVATION

I want to thank God this morning for a full and free salvation. I truly thank him for being saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and more than all of the determination I have to go all the way with the Lord and lead others to the light.

My husband and I have just closed a very successful 19 days meeting at Corindal. The Lord blessed wonderfully and nine were saved, and one sanctified.

I want you all to pray for my husband and I that we will always stay humble at Jesus' feet.
 Mrs. Elizabeth Prother.

Orphanage Report

FOR THE WEEK ENDING DEC. 19
 FROM CANTON, O.—Mr. and Mrs. Keitel—4 1/2 doz. hdkfs., Church of God S. S.—30 lbs. candy.

FROM CHURCH OF GOD, Middle-town, O.: 28 oranges, 23 apples; 11 lbs. candy; 14 lbs. nuts; 2 1/2 lbs. dates; 2 boxes raisins. Mrs. Mary E. Hill—1 1/2 lbs. candy; Margaret Phipps—2 lb. box nuts and candy. Mrs. Bell—7 lbs. candy.

FROM QUITAQUE, TEX.: Mrs. T. M. White and children—2 gowns; 2 1/2 yds. gingham; 1 towel; 3 cup towels; 1 pr. hose; 1 bar soap; Mrs. C. L. Washington's children—1 pr. pillow slips; Mrs. G. I. Wood—2 yds. madras; Mrs. Lindsay Walker, Gasoline, Tex.—1 sweater; 2 baby caps; 1 pr. rompers; 2 baby slips.

FROM CHESTER JAMES, Dayton, Tex.—1 boy's waist; 1 suit underwear.

FROM SRS. S. M. EADES, Walhalla, S. C.: 1 quilt; 1 sack.

FROM SISTER JANIE COX, Tom-nolen, Miss.: 9 1/2 lbs. dried peaches.

FROM MISS ADDIE LEE DAY, Carter, Miss.: 15 blocks candy; 1 lb. nuts; 6 hdkfs.; Mr. Day, 1 pr. overalls; 1 lb. candy.

FROM W. C. SUTPHIN, merchant, Elizabethton, Tenn.: 6 boy's undershirts; 2 boy's suits; 2 lady's skirts; 11 pr. hose; 2 mittens; 5 lb. box candy; 1 pr. boy's drawers.

FROM CHURCH OF GOD S. S.—Delbarton, W. Va., 1 bolt outing 52 yds.; 1 bolt shirting 30 yds.; 9 pr. hose; 2 pieces gingham 9 yds.

FROM AUGUSTA GA. FACTORY:—5 lbs. candy; 2 poll parrots; 2 climbing monkeys; 5 celluloid cars and 6 swans; 5 Christmas stockings; 6 horns; 1 paper pins; 2 bunches S. pins; 5 yds. elastic; 10 small dolls; 10 top stew pans; 10 glass lanterns; 10 towels; 1 shopping bag; 8 pr. hose; 5 doz. hdkfs.

FROM SISTERS OF CHURCH:—Broxton, Ga.: 1 quilt top.

FOR THE WEEK ENDING DEC. 19
 Mrs. Albert Dixon, Chillicothe, O., \$2.00; Mrs. G. W. Howell, Labelle, Fla., \$5.00; S. S. Altoona, Ala., \$1.00; Sol. by Mrs. T. M. White, Quitaque, Tex., \$3.50; Church, Dayton, O., \$5.00; Church, Sikeston, Mo., \$2.35; Church Baldwin Park, Calif., \$5.90; Vannia Coker, Palatka, Fla., \$1.00; S. S. Kathleen, Fla., \$8.00; Mrs. Minnie Kinsey, Augusta, Ga., \$25.00; S. S. Tusquitee, N. C., \$1.56; A. E. McKinney, Crystal River, Fla., \$1.00; Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Goethe, Anclote, Fla., \$5.00; Church, Tampa, Fla., \$17.91; From a friend, \$34.00; Church, Trafford, Ala., \$2.50; S. S. Marietta, O., \$4.50; Church, Cincinnati, O., \$9.10; S. S. Mt. Vernon, Tex., \$3.00; S. S. Grove Oak, Ala., \$4.00; S. S. Erwin, Tenn., \$5.6 S. S. Quartz, Ga., \$1.70; Mrs. Buna Arrington, Matthews, Ga., \$6.00; S. S. Haynes, Ark., \$11.56; Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Williamson, Nichols Chapel, Ark., \$5.00; I. W. Babb, Postoria O., \$4.04; S. S. Davis Creek, W. V., \$11.01.

Solicited by J. W. Allen, Kona, Ky.—J. M. Ventors, \$1.00; Lenard Kilgore, \$3.00; Irvin Collins, \$5.00; Ernest Lla-ton, \$1.00; Solicited by Alvin Longworth; McRoberts Coal Camp, \$11.36; Neon Church, \$3.60; Hemp Hill Coal Co., \$6.55.

Church, Motor, Ky., \$18.13; S. S. Moter, Ky., \$8.00; W. V. Eneas, Nassau, N. P. Bah., \$7.5; Mae Woolsey, Herrin, Ill., \$2.00; S. S. Sesser, Ill. \$5.00; Church, Pine Grove, Ga., \$3.70; S. S. Lammus, Tex., \$3.11; Saw Mining Co., Balkan, Ky., \$25.00; Church

Orlando, Fla., \$18.30; Georgia Shipman, Townsend, Tenn., \$1.22; Sol. by Alice Webster, Parma, Mo., \$3.20; Church, Campaign, Tenn., \$4.67; Church, Carbon Hill, Ala., \$4.50; S. S. Twila, Ky., \$16.08.

FOR THE WEEK ENDING DEC. 26

FROM HIGDEN, ARK.: Lucy Turner, \$3.00; Jimmie Nickleson, \$5.00; Desie Allison \$2.5; Mayme Allison \$5.00; Sallie Bailey \$5.00; Trendie Hall \$5.00; Tom Cody \$2.5; 2 prs. blankets were bought with the money and sent—Lone Allison—4 yds. gingham; Mrs. Singleton—4 yds. gingham; Fate Turner—4 yds. outing; 4 yds. sateen.

FROM THE CHURCH OF GOD, Ranger, Texas.: 3 yds. percale; 1 small wool skirt; 1 cap; 1 small roll cotton; 3 cards safety pins; 2 hdkfs; 9 towels; 2 bars soap; 4 spoons thd.; Mrs. M. A. Webb—4 small pillows; 1 quilt top, the church furnished the cotton and lining; Mrs. Rudolph—1 lady's coat suit; 1 boy's coat and pants; L. B. Winnegar—1 aluminum stewer; Mrs. Lola Winnegar—2 wash clothes; 3 hdkfs.; 2 pr. hose; 2 papers pins; 2 pr shoe laces; 3 bars soap; Geneva Webb—1 wash cloth; 1 pr. hose; 2 hdkfs.; Mrs. Ella Hartin—3 yds. gingham; Mrs. W. M. Morris—4 yds. gingham in 2 pieces; Mrs. Kimmel—1 baby blanket; E. A. Warren—2 pieces gingham 4 yds.; 1 spool thd.; Mrs. Alice—3 yds. gingham; 1 cap; Mrs. Laura Samuels—1 bar soap; Miss Ader Samuels—1 bar soap.

FROM ARLINGTON, Tex.: 2 prs. hose; about 5 yds. gingham.

FROM MOBEETIE, TEX.: Mrs. W. H. Williams, Hazel Williams, Jettie Ruff, Nannie Vittou—3 1/2 lbs. candy.

FROM THE CHURCH OF GOD, Hubble, Mont.: 6 prs. shoes; 1 sweater; 1 petticoat; 4 summer under suits; 2 middies; 4 dresses; 1 cap; 8 pr. hose; 1 pr. mittens; 4 pr. wool pants; 1 top; 3 books; 1 box crayons; some paper dolls; 1 wonder speller.

FROM MR. AND MRS. W. A. POW-ALL, Lynch, Ky.: 1 crate apples.

FROM W. W. RIVERS, Stewart, Miss.: 3 1/2 lbs. meat; 7 1/2 lbs. nuts.

FROM MR. AND MRS. J. L. BUR-TON, Schlatter, Miss.: 1 hat; 1 pr. shoes; 2 pr. hose; 3 bars candy; 1 pkg. gum.

FROM MR. AND MRS. S. A. COX, Bowling Green, Fla.: 1 crate oranges.

FROM MATTIE KERCE, Arcadia, Fla.: 1 box oranges.

FROM MARY J. LAMMONS, Bush-nell, Fla.: 1 box containing oranges, grapefruits and tangerines.

FROM R. W. SYLVESTER, Orlando, Fla.: 1 crate oranges.

FROM THE CHURCH OF GOD, Orlando, Fla.: 1 box macaroni; 1 can milk; 1 can tomatoes; 1 gal. syrup; 2 pr. drawers; 1 collar; 1 piece lace; 1 cape; 2 pr. pants; 2 ripped skirts; 2 dresses; 1 lady's coat; 1 boy's coat; 2 caps; 4 1/2 lbs. pecans; 4 pr. shoes; 1 hdkfs; 2 baby dresses, 3 bands, 1 jacket, 1 can, 1 shirt, 2 pr. Sox.

FROM DELLA SELLS, Desloge, Mo.: 2 dresses; 1 hat; 1 pr. slippers; 4 1/2 yds. outing; 2 pieces gingham 6 1/2 yds.

FROM MRS. W. H. RAMEY, Spring-field, Mo.: 1 midgy; 3 dresses; 3 pr. bloomers; 3 1/2 yds shirting; 5 yds. gingham; 2 1/2 yds novelty cloth; 1 apron; 1 gown.

FROM MRS. CHAS. P. Stewart, Norton, Va.: 2 large sticks candy; 6 oranges; 1 sweater; 1 dress; 2 towels;

5 pr. hose; 3 lbs. nuts; 5 pieces ging-ham 11 yds.

FROM DUBLIN, VA.: 2 lbs. candy; 24 sticks gum.

FROM MRS. BLACK, Chifton Forge, Va.: 3 pencil boxes for the Griner children.

FROM MRS. SARAH JORDAN, Blackshear, Ga.: 1 doz. hdkfs.; 1 doll; 5 yds. outing.

FROM MRS. M. W. Calhoun, Jesup, Ga.: 1 princess slip for Marie McKinney.

FROM MRS. LOLA HIPPS, Hazelhurst, Ga.: 1 box hdkfs.; 1 dress; 1 towel; some powder and beads.

FROM MRS. A. LOVE, Atlanta, Ga.: 1 petticoat; 1 box oats; 1 box grits; 1 can cherries; 1 1/2 lbs. dried apples; 2 cups and saucers; 1 salt and pepper shaker; 1 tooth pick, salt and pepper set; 1 book; 1 Xmas wreath; 2 decorations; 3 bells; 1 large stick of candy; 1 box animal cakes; 1 1/2 lbs. candy; 1 cake turner; 2 knives; 1 brush; 5 balls; 1 cupid; 3 prs. garters; 1 coat; 2 coat suits; 1 jacket; some cook books; 2 tablets; some blank paper; 12 pencils; 8 paper spoons; 1 top; 2 cans powder; 1 set muffin tins; 6 small pie pans; 1 cookie cutter; 1 blank book; 2 pictures; 1 scarf; 2 cake pans; 2 yds. gingham; 1 belt.

From Mrs. Love to Margaret—1 1/2 lbs. candy; 1 book; 1 picture; 1 pr. hose; 2 pr. bloomers; 2 aprons; 2 dresses; 1 small doll; 1 toy egg beater; 1 mamma doll; 1 bed, mattress, quilt, sheet and pillow.

FROM MRS. ROBERTA BRANNON, East Bank, W. Va.: 1 quilt; 1 sack.

FROM VERMA JOHNSON, West Hamlin, W. Va.: 1 ripped coat; 1 midgy; 2 yds. gingham; 5 dresses; 1 princess slip.

FROM LEGO, W. Va.: 1 top; 1 Xmas stocking; Mrs. Nancy Dawell—2 1/2 lbs. candy; L. E. Blankenship—2 1/2 lbs. candy; Mrs. Bertha Blankenship—1 lb. candy; Mrs. Virginia Cadle—1/2 lb. nuts; 3 pop corn balls; 1/2 lb. candy; 3 apples; 2 oranges, Mrs. G. H. Markland—1 lb. nuts; 1 lb. candy; 1 box hdkfs.; 1 toy; Mr. K. Bulard—6 apples; 5 oranges; Mrs. R. H. Vaught—1 1/2 lbs. nuts; Mrs. Hunley—1 top; Besoco Store Clerk—1 Box hdkfs.; 2 dolls; Mrs. Stella Wym—9 pop corn balls; Mrs. Campbell—3 large sticks candy; 3 horns; 3 pr. gloves for the Griner children.

FROM LULA BRADLEY, Harrisburg, Ill.: 2 pr. hose; 1 pr. shoes; 3 yds. gingham.

FROM MR. AND MRS. FRANK PEABODY AND MISS OPAL KOOS, Golden Valley, N. Dak.: 1 cap, apron and towel set for Mother Kinsey; 4 dresses; 2 night shirts; 1 princess slip; 5 gowns; 1 pr. pillow slips; 2 towels; 2 wash cloths; George and Ira Koos—7 yds. gingham; Lawrence Peabody—1 crayon and drawing set.

FROM MRS. S. A. MAYO, Vonroe, Tenn.: 1 quilt; 2 1/2 lbs. candy; 1 waist.

FROM SISTER CHICK, SISTER MINNIE AND JULIA DOUGLAS, Cleveland, Tenn.: 60 pop corn balls.

FROM MR. P. B. MAYFIELD, Cleveland, Tenn.: 1 crate oranges.

FROM SHIPLEY GROVE, TENN. the following: Abbie G. Rogers—1 1/2 lbs. raisins; 1 1/2 lbs. candy; Mary E. Rogers—1 new dress; Dicy J. Rogers—1 lb. raisins; 5 tablets; 5 pencils; 4 yds. cloth.

FROM MRS. D. SWINDELL, Walling, Tenn.: 1 1/2 lbs. peanuts.

FROM MR. JESS KAYLOR, Cleveland, Tenn.: 100 apples.

FROM MR. CHAS. MAYFIELD, Cleveland, Tenn.: 1 box apples; 15 1/2 lbs. candy.

FROM SANITARY BAKERY, Cleveland, Tenn.: 1 beautiful Xmas cake 25 in. long 18 in wide.

FROM MR. FLORENCE, Cleveland, Tenn.: 8 doz. and 2 bananas.

By request the names of 6 orphan children were sent to Mrs. Conrey in Youngstown, O., and she gave them to different ones in that town so that they could make Xmas brighter for them.

FROM M. ROBERTOM to Evelyn: 1 crayon outfit; 1 small box candy; 1 tea set; 1 dressed doll; 1 Xmas ornament.

FROM MRS. HENRY H. HICKS to Viera: 1 tea set; 1 pr. mittens; 1 dress and bloomers; 2 pr. hose; 2

books; 1 bag candy; 1 bag peanuts; 1 dressed doll; 2 doll blankets.

FROM MISS BLANCHE E. ROSS to Alma—1 book; 1 dressed doll; 1 painting and drawing outfit; 2 hdkfs.; 1 bottle perfume; 1 drawing slate; 1 box crayons; 1 small Xmas tree; 1 tea set; 1 glass lantern full of candy; 1 doll in a peanut shell; 1 knife, fork, 2 spoons; 1 plate, cup, saucer.

FROM MISS IRENE A. ROSS to Ruby—1 Xmas wreath; 1 drawing slate; 1 dressed doll; 1 box stationary; 1 box crayons; 2 knives; forks, spoons, 1 ladle; 1 book; 1 bottle perfume; 1 tea set; 1 glass lantern full of candy; 1 doll in a peanut shell; 2 hdkfs.; 1 painting and drawing outfit.

FROM ETHEL HANNA to Mabel—1 dressed doll; 1 card; 1 Xmas flower and ornament; 2 hdkfs.; 1 scrap book; suckers; 1 paper apple full of candy.

FROM MISS MARIAN MAUSER to Eugene—1 cap; 1 puzzle.

FOR THE WEEK ENDING DEC. 26

S. S. Pikeville, Tenn., \$1.54; Sol. by Rena Moore, Mt. Vernon, Tex., \$11.05; S. S. Dahlonga, Ga., \$2.00; Mrs. Edith Williams, Coffeyville, Kans., \$2.11; Minnie E. Smith, Lagrange, Ga., \$5.00; S. S. Logan, W. Va., \$23.00; A. Friend, Gadsden, Ala., \$25.00; Mrs. Fleety Crews, Quinton, Ala., \$1.00; George M. Johnson, Adamsburg, Ala., \$2.00; S. S. Onville, La., \$4.00; Church, Pratt City, Ala., \$9.33; J. L. Baldrice, Cleveland, Tenn., \$1.32; E. C. Clark, Desloge, Mo., \$5.00; Church, Logan, W. Va., \$58.50; Edith Starr, Kermitt, Va., \$5.35; Church, Circleville, Ohio, \$2.16; Church, Big Timber, Mont., \$2.25; Church, Bogalusa, La., \$1.55; Sarah J. Franklin, Ensley, Ala., \$7.20; Church, Huntington, W. Va., \$14.13; offerings, \$4.60; Mrs. J. C. Bray, Middlesex, N. C., \$5.00; Mrs. W. H. Glover, Middlesex, N. C., \$5.00; Mrs. John Rash, Valdosta, Ga., \$3.00; Mrs. Willie Williams, Eupora, Miss., \$1.00; Crumleys Chapel Church, Hefflin, Ala., \$3.01; Mrs. J. W. Lowery, Thomas,

What Did Paul Say About Holiness

"But As He Which Hath Called You Is Holy, So Be Ye Holy In All Manner of Conversation"

Walter R. Anderson

Dear ones, we have so many people that do not read the Bible, neither do they go to church and when you begin to talk to them about their souls and about holiness they begin to fight the way and often I have been asked the question, "What does Paul say about it?" Trying to make it appear that Paul did not teach holiness, but it appears to me that Paul preached nothing but holiness. The first thing I would like to call your attention to is: Paul in his address to the Hebrew brethren cautioned them in particular to "Follow peace with all men, and holiness without which no man shall see the Lord." Heb. 12:14. Then he surely must mean that we have to be holy if we ever look into the face of our blessed Redeemer. "But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation; Because it is written, Be ye Holy; for I am holy." 1 Peter 1:15, 16. So we can see that God commands us to be holy and beloved if we are not in this state of holiness when King Jesus shall ascend from heaven with a shout and with the voice of arch angels and with the trump of God, we will never be able to rise to meet Him in the air but will be left here to go through the great tribulation or will wait until the last resurrection to come forth out of the grave, for John says, "Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection, on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years." Rev. 20:6.

People will argue that we can not live holy in this world but Titus said, "For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men, teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in this present world." Titus 2:11-12.

We notice that Paul in writing to the Hebrews calls them Holy Brethren. "Wherefore holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling, consider the Apostle and High Priest of our profession, Christ Jesus." Then if they were holy why should we not be holy.

Again Paul in writing to the Corinthians called their attention to some promises that were given in God's Bible. "Having therefore these promises dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God." Paul leaves the impression here that we have to be holy if we ever see God. Then, he tells us to fear not man but to fear God, and it is He that I fear and I want to be holy. God has not called us unto uncleanness but unto holiness, then He urges us to walk worthy of the calling: "I therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called. Eph. 4:1. Again he said, "Abstain from all appearance of evil. And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ." 1 Thes. 5:22, 23.

There could be much more said on this subject but let us take God's Word for it and stop fighting holiness. I am glad I am in this way and stand for the truth.

TESTIMONY

CLAY CITY, Ky.—I praise my Saviour because He saved my soul seven years ago, from a burning hell and started me in this beautiful way. When the light became brighter I came into the Church of God and have been a true soldier for God ever since.

Please pray for me that I may stay true and humble.
John Larson.

Redeeming Time Because Days Are Evil

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It is only necessary to consider that we have unconfined in the U. S. more killers, than we have clergymen of all denominations or male teachers in our schools, or all lawyers, judges, and magistrates put together. And three times the number of our editors, reporters, and writers, and 52,000 more slayers than we have public policemen. The law in many places seems powerless, only Christ can solve these problems.

Burglary On Increase

Within a decade burglary has increased 12 per cent and in one year the thefts from common carriers reached \$100,000,000. The postal authorities estimated that \$300,000,000 was lost through fraudulent schemes, and the Bankers Assn. reported \$50,000,000, stolen through false checks. Robbery and theft are the fruits of the bank robberies, being planted in our young tender boys at the movies. By the time they are twenty years old they have the game well played from the film screen. God help the mothers and fathers to pray.

Divorce

In the last twenty years 3,767,000, Americans secured divorce papers, and to-day an official estimate places the number of divorces granted for various causes, at one out of seven. This must be the "20th Century Limited." Official estimates on social disease, placed the death toll of last year at 300,000, and one out of every four young people affected in various ways with social disease; seems to me as mothers could pray more and cry louder to save civilization from such ruin. While crime between 1912 and 1922 increased 4 per cent, prayer decreased in the homes from 70 per cent to 20 per cent.

Seems to me without Christ, the decaying mass of civilization will soon be a pile of driftwood, on the shores of time, where the sand-pipers sing their mournful song, where mothers will look at once rosy cheeks that are now pale and sad, and curls that were once crisp and hung down on the shoulders, now are gone, taking with them the joy and beauty of home. Oh! that mothers would pray.

Children Disobedient to Parents

This looseness in the home, allowing the children to rule and boss the home, mothers and fathers falling God. Is it well with the child? confronts every father and mother of to-day, (2 Kings 4:26). When Samuel was merely a child he was brought to the house of the Lord, (Sam. 1:24) and was dedicated to the service of the Lord but now-a-days most of them are brought to the house of the Lord for the funeral.

This child is set for the fall and rising again of many in Israel (Lk. 2:34) and your mother is set for no less. There is to-day a gulf between fathers and mothers and their children the child does not get the quality of mother love it needs and often the child is left to the nurse, or to the teacher, or professor, and in many instances they are immune to parental love; thus their lives are cold and chilled, and ready for the harness of life caused by sin, when if they had at the proper time, the love and care of father or mother or both they could have been tempered and softened into sweet loving boys and girls, and trained for God. No hand like a mother's to a child, and no voice like a father to a child. Brush their locks occasionally, give a little advice for coming trials and temptations.

Neglect of Ministers

And while we see the awful gloom that shrouds civilization, and the mid-night pall of darkness hangs on, with no light to shine but the "True Light" and how often it is hid away, under the bed, caring only for the fleshly provisions of life, or sleep on your good downy bed, while others are facing the judgment without God's love in their hearts, I am wondering what some of the preachers are going to tell God.

While some have hid their lights under a bushel in the commercial world, seeking only their own welfare, others are dying and pining in darkness,

"And if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost." Why could you not watch one hour with Jesus and help to redeem mankind by giving them to eat of the Word of life, he has given you? Remember Jesus said, "Ye are the light of the world" (Matt. 5:14). Then if this lost and dying world is ever lighted to God it is up to the Christian to do it, and especially the preachers, for they are the first in rank.

That we are in the time of the end and of the sudden coming of the Bridegroom is undeniable, and I am wondering if while some have not expected to have committed to them some great trust in the future kingdom if they will not be utterly disappointed, for first of all Jesus has committed to us the Word of the ministry and if we are not faithful in this how can He give to us a reward of faithfulness or something we have never done. Paul says a dispensation of the gospel was committed unto him. (1 Cor. 9:17.)

He further says, Let a man so account of us, as of the ministers of Christ, and stewards of the mysteries of God. Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful (1 Cor. 4:1-2). Notice he says it is required in stewards, they be found faithful. If this faithfulness is within you it will come out, and if not it can not. Do not expect a reward for faithful stewardship unless you have been faithful. Do not expect Jesus to say well done thou good and faithful servant, unless you have been faithful, for Jesus does not lie, neither will He reward you for something you did not do.

I am unable to see how those whom God called to preach this gospel can sit around, and just help Satan cheat themselves out of their own eternal reward in glory, and Christ of his glory, and be content. If you do not have a church that will support you, you surely can preach on Saturday nights and Sundays, but you say, "I am too busy." Listen, I could be busy with the things of the world if I would allow myself.

I am not preaching because I can do nothing else, but I preach first because I love Jesus and then because I want to be faithful, and again because souls are dying without God, and yet again because I do not want to wear a crown with no stars in it. We should redeem the time, I have had an unusual opportunity to make money, held many good paying positions, in detective work, general foreman's work, construction work, making as high as \$1,000 per month. This may seem too big to be true, but the records are on file, and I could do it again. I have the experience, and the friends and the opportunity time and again.

But oh! what would Jesus think of my judgment, to stick to the things of the world, and let Him go begging for my love, no sir I will never do it, He is more than fame, more than honor of man, more than riches; no sacrifice too great if we love Him. It seems we are lacking in love for Him to prove our realities, and we wonder why we never get anywhere. He never promised to help the unfaithful.

Now the new year has begun, what will it be, another bunch of broken promises as the past one, or will it be a year of continuous effort for Christ, and the Church of God? God is looking for men and women that are true; stand by the fight, and go over the top.

You can only wear an overcomers crown as you overcome. If you are yielding to the weaknesses of the flesh, and serving your own selves while others are dying and going down without God, do not expect to be an overcomer. If you are crucified with Christ, you will do the works of Christ. We need to hold the flesh in the fire until the flames consume it, and then we can say like Jesus, the zeal of thine house hath eaten me up (Ps. 69:9.)

If the preachers would rush to the battle front and stand with sword in hand and fight against the oncoming tide of destruction with prayer and the Word of God there would be a marked change in the situation. Let us pray with Paul for kings and rulers and those that are in authority, that we may live a

WEANED

Whom Shall He Teach? and Whom Shall He Make to Understand Doctrine? Them That Are Weaned From the Milk, and Drawn From the Breasts. Isa. 28:9.

D. R. Moreland

Genesis 21:8 Text: We find here as the child grew he was weaned, and by reading verse nine that he was not weaned soon enough because Sarah saw the son of Hagar mocking or making fun of him. I have an idea it was because he was a great big boy still nursing; of course it was funny. We see this in many places; large children nursing when they ought to have been weaned and when people laugh at them the parents do not like it.

In my travels I have found this same thing: men and women of God who had never been weaned. They would sit in the services or in the home and nurse the bottle, they looked funny and others had to laugh at them. To hear them testify you would think they had all God had for them but afterwards would prove that they had not been weaned.

Now I believe what the most of us need is to put our bottles away. Paul said, "When I became a man, I put away childish things." Oh, that many would put away their toys and get weaned from their ways. On the right hand and on the left we find them. "I don't like the preacher, I don't think they do right at Headquarters." Oh for Jesus' sake and for the sake of souls let us get weaned. God has told us to be strong. Let us get off the milk wagon and get on the meat wagon where we can get strong and "Desire the sincere milk of the Word, that ye may grow thereby." 2 Pet. 2:2.

As Hagar's son laughed at Isaac so when you are having one of your nursing spells, if you could get a picture of yourself you would once and for all get weaned never to go back to the bottle again.

You say I am saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. O you don't mean it, do you and you not weaned? You will not be with some people long until judging from what they say about some one or what some one has said about them that they are still hanging to the bottle. Oh I wish people would really and truly get sanctified and their whole spirit, soul and body would be preserved, (not pickled) blameless unto the coming of Jesus. In some places you can preach on love and how the saints will shout, dance and talk in tongues and love you, but just change your subject and preach on paying your debts, tithes, keeping your home, body, and children clean and right away they seek for the bottle and are soon lulled to sleep and try to grow strong on these things.

If you preach on the Bride or peaceful and quiet life.

Let us make this the greatest year for the Church of God; work in love and unity; give of your means; observe the rulings of the Assembly relative to the orphanage work, and also the mission work and God will bless you and yours, and a life will be spent that when you have come to cross over you will look back with gladness, and say, "I have fought a good fight, I have kept the faith." This means more than Acts 2:4. Let us be faithful in all things, doing it as unto the Lord.

He will reward you for your labors. Watch and pray, hold the ropes for the preachers in prayer, giving to their support, helping to push them out for God, and the preacher that is supported and does not do his best will be responsible to God. "We have eat no man's bread for ought" was the language of the apostle. A preacher that can sit around cross legged while souls are dying, and nourish his heart in a day of slaughter is a mistake to himself and God. God bless you, amen.

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Rapture some will shout and have a big time right when there are some who do not love one another. What kind of a bride do they think Jesus is going to have? He has said, "Therefore be ye also ready; for in such an hour as ye think not, the Son of man cometh." You will have no time to look for a bottle. We must then be free from all of our childish ways and have on the whole armour of God.

As holiness people, look at what we profess. It is as disgusting to common sense and consistent piety, as truckling politician is to stalwart patriotism. There are more aspirations for leadership among them than candidates for sheriff in a drouth stricken country, or applicants for the police force in the lower wards of a corrupt city. They lead too. They are leaders from Leadersville and they have led us too.

Some men who never had a farm paid out, or paid for a horse; had a pastorate charge or even led a very consistent life need to know God or know Him better, all in a minute assume to be the Moses the church needs, try to place themselves at the head of thousands of people and shout "Come on!"

They find it easier to criticize the church than to keep its rules; easier to find fault with the preacher, deacons, General Overseer, or office force than to pay a liberal assessment; easier to fling back than to practice Bible meekness; easier to lead than to submit and bring things to pass; easier to cry persecution than to grow a crop of holiness living. I have heard the cry of persecution among holiness professors from preachers down to sisters, with histories from old men brushing the shores of Jordan to those who have not had the egg shell thumped off until I think the movement needs a thorough renovation, followed by a stimulant and a good tonic until weaned from the bottle. As for myself I am tired of holy peevishness. Thousands of people of this blessed estate remind me of the boy who had no corn bread and did not want any. Persecution indeed!

What would Paul think of such complaining?

What would Stephen call our Pullman sleeper crosses, collectively or individually? Since the days of John Inskip we have not had enough persecution to sprout an apostolic martyr, much less grow and reap one. Even here where we expect most, the natural products of a corrupt soil are more prolific than the fruit unto holiness. The Lord help us to get rid of the bottle and grow a crop of righteousness at the cost of labor and love. Let us have our homes and churches in the best of order; have some table manners and church manners; keep clean, sweet and humble and lay aside everything that looks like the bottle and get weaned for Jesus is coming soon.

EVANGEL CONTAINS SOUL STIRRING MESSAGES

DUBLIN, Va.—I subscribed for the Church of God Evangel last summer, and wish to say that I certainly am glad I did, have never regretted it one bit, for I receive spiritual benefit by reading the good instructions, and soul stirring pieces it contains. I want to do something for God in some way to spread this great gospel. Pray for me.
—Mrs. Mary V. Blevins.

PRAISES GOD FOR EVANGEL

BEDICO, La.—I want to sound a note of praise to my Saviour through the Evangel, the paper I love so well. I only wish every home in the world could receive this wonderful little paper. It brings so many blessings to those who read it and it makes us feel so good to know that God is blessing people all over the land.

I am glad that I can report victory in my soul and that I belong to the great Church of God, the pillar and ground of the truth.

I ask all who pray to please pray for me that I may stay humble at Jesus' feet.
Ella B. Perillow.

A Good Sunday School Service

MILTON, W. Va.—As I have not seen any testimonies published from the little church at Milton I would be glad to have the privilege of occupying a small space of your paper.

I feel that God will honor me enough to let the people know through the Evangel that there are a few here yet that love this Bible way. It has been some time since we had any pastor but we have Sunday School and prayer service every Wednesday and Sunday night.

Our State Overseer, H. N. Scoggins is with us when it is possible. He has been on the sick list for quite a while, not able to be out in God's service. But I think he is improving now. We are expecting him to be with us Wednesday night in prayer service.

We had a very wonderful service Sunday morning, the Lord said if He is for us who can be against us. I think if we trust more in Him instead of some people we will gain victory over every temptation that comes before us. I covet the prayers of every Christian that reads this that when they pray they will offer up a few words in our behalf here at Milton, W. Va.
Mrs. Ballard White.

PRAISES HIM FOR OVERCOMING POWER

Oh, how I do thank and praise God for what He is to me. He is my all in all, I trust Him for both soul and body. I praise Him for His wonderful healing power and also His overcoming power. He keeps me each day free from sin and condemnation. I have had the Holy Ghost one year and two months and have no desire to turn back and live for Satan, because I lived for Him a little over fourteen years and I know all about his tricks and how he gets people into trouble.

Some people don't believe we live above sin but I believe with all my heart when you are saved, sanctified by the blood of Jesus and filled with the Holy Ghost you are not going to sin. The minute you do commit a sin willingly I believe you lose your salvation right there. As long as we obey God's commandments we are not going to sin.

I also thank God for the Church of God. I would not be out of its protection for all this world and ten thousand more like it for the Word says, "What will it profit a man if he gain the whole world and lose his own soul." I am not ashamed of its teachings, but praise God I am proud of it and am doing my best to live up to its teachings. Pray for me that I will never do or say anything that will bring a reproach to the great Church of God or on the name of Jesus who has done so much for me.

Mable Jackson.

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Marching Forward— Obedient to God

The Grass Withereth, the Flower
Fadeth, But the Word of God
Standeth Forever

DALTON, Ga.—It has not been long since I wrote to the Evangel but did not give my name in full: so many that knew me before I married probably did not know who it was. So as I am like the old woman that was one time in a crowd waving her broom in the air; a certain gentleman asked her the reason for doing this and to his surprise she answered, "To show which side I'm on." So this is my motto to always be on the Lord's side and I am there this morning. Bless His name!

We find that the Israelites crossed the Red sea, on dry land. Why? Because they were on the Lord's side. Are you walking in the light, brother or sister? Do you see the Church of God in her beauty and are you failing to walk in it? Or, do you hear a little tingling noise of the devil and looking back? You had better mind, you might become as Lot's wife, a pillar of salt. We are serving the same God of Elijah, Daniel, Joseph, Moses, the Hebrew Children, Paul, Peter and many other heroes that He brought forth more than conquerors in the end, and best of all we have Jesus to make intercession for us in this day and He is soon going to wind up His business and take His bride or body, which is the Church of God, home. Say, saints, let's be in the band. By God's grace and help I mean to be what God wants me to be. The devil and his agents have the authority to try to pull a blindfold over some folks that the Church of God is in heaven, and he tried to get me to believe this, but I said, "Look the other way, old man, I don't need your blindfold." Praise God.

Paul was talking to the Church of God at Corinth and said he was not meet to be called an apostle, because he had persecuted the Church of God. We find the Church of God mentioned about twelve times in the New Testament and many types and shadows in the Old Testament, so I mean to give the devil a black eye every time he comes at me with such stuff again.

The battle will soon be ended. Thank God. The devil may make a big bouquet to let you stand idle and look at but His Word says "Keep marching on." If the Israelites had not obeyed Moses, when he told them to go forward and cross the Red Sea, had they gone back toward the Egyptians, they would surely have captured their souls, so saints as one that loves you and for Jesus' sake stand by the Church of God and some day we'll go to the mansions Jesus has gone to prepare. Some may look back but that doesn't hinder God's church, but is only fulfilling His Word. Some will fall away but we find where God's Word says, "The grass withereth, the flower fadeth, but the Word of God standeth forever." Then, the gates of hell shall not prevail against the Church of God. May God bless one and all.

I would be glad to hear from any of the saints.—Mrs. Eula Mae (Byrd) Payne, 62 N. Thornton Ave., Dalton, Ga.

DO NOT DISOBEY GOD

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind.—I feel impressed by the Spirit of God to write to you through the Evangel, a warning not to disobey God. Ah, my dear brother and sister, if you could only realize what a miserable life, one has after disobeying the Lord, I think you would be very careful to ever obey. On the 16th day of April, 1916 I disobeyed the Lord and have been made to regret it ever since, and the suffering that I'm going through with now is only punishment for my disobedience. Take warning! Take warning! My trouble is great, it seems more than I can bear, but I must overcome. Pray for me.—Gertrude Douglas, White.

NOT ABLE TO HELP IN HARVEST FIELD

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It seemed that I was less appreciated than before.

Too poor to help? No. All can pay God His dues to help move the Church of God along. How folks can say they are true blue, four square for the Church of God, doing the best they know and at the same time they agreed to live up to the teachings of the Church of God and then withhold their tithes. Oh, my God stir the Church of God along the line of financial progression as well as spiritual. I have already made a new year's resolution that as I enter into my new churches I expect to give my full time to the ministry and too, I expect to preach and practice loyalty. God bless the Church of God everywhere.

DALTON COMING TO THE FRONT

DALTON, Ga.—I want to sound a note of praise through the Evangel in praise to the Lord and tell what He is doing, for we feel that the Church of God is coming to the front as never before. She is going to rise above everything. I feel like God has His hand on the people here at this place.

Our pastor opened fire on the enemy here on July 12, in a revival and run it two weeks. It seemed that it was not doing any good but we just held on to God and praying for Him to work, in the hearts of the people and truly we can say, God has heard and answered prayer. About 25 have been saved, 20 sanctified, 20 received the Holy Ghost, 16 baptized in water and 26 came into the church. Many are looking this way. Praise the Lord. Pray for me.—Mrs. Joe Moon.

GOD BLESSING THE INDIANS

REE, N. Dak.—I feel like testifying through the dear Evangel this evening for what the Lord has done and is doing for me. I want every one that reads this to know what the Lord is doing among the Indian race. The dear Lord saved me from a life of sin, glory to Jesus, sanctified and filled me with the blessed Holy Ghost. Praise His dear name.

I am so glad that I can trust the Lord for the healing of my body as well as the keeping of my soul. I do want to thank and praise the Lord that He has healed my companion of fever and chills, although he is not saved he believes in divine healing. I do thank God that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. Praise His wonderful name.

I ask every saint that reads this to breathe a word of prayer for my companion and also for me that I may get stronger in the Lord.—Mabel S. Bird.

TRUSTS GOD FOR HEALING

FOREST CITY, Ark.—I want to praise God this morning for salvation, free from sin and for the precious Comforter that gives us peace in the darkest hours of trials. How I praise Him this morning for a salvation that we can feel and know down in our hearts that we have been born again.

I am glad for His mighty healing power and that I can trust Him for my body as well as for my soul. I promised God if He would heal our little girl of fever that I would testify to it through the Evangel for His glory. The enemy threatened us for trusting her in the hands of God but it only made me want to believe God more and get closer to Him. Our light afflictions only draw us closer to our blessed Saviour. I always want to live so close to Him that I can be worthy of calling on Him when we get sick. I don't believe God is pleased with His children taking medicine, I believe it is His will that we should trust in Him for the healing of our bodies. Please pray that we will stand true to the end.

Ida Walker.

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A STUDENT FROM ALABAMA

I thank the Lord for the privilege of attending the Bible School. It is wonderful how the Lord blesses us as we meet together every morning for prayer. Many people send in requests for prayer, for the healing of their bodies, so we pray for those and for each other.

Some of the students have been real sick, but are better. One young man was real sick with pneumonia last week. The Lord healed him so he is back in school.

We sing after prayer and sometimes the power falls during singing, then we start in for our day's work.

It is very interesting to study the Bible, the geography of the Old and New Testament. We learn about the old countries where the children of Israel traveled, the apostles and Jesus walked when here on earth.

I want to encourage every young man or woman to attend the Bible School.

As I look over the school room and see so many bright boys and girls I wonder if they will not carry the gospel after our old preachers are gone.

They cannot stay here very much longer. If Jesus tarries we need boys and girls to study the Bible and take their places.

We can study the Bible at home but it is not like being here in school where we hear so many good scholars discuss different subjects.

The more I learn about the Bible the more anxious I am to study it, and get out on the battlefield for Jesus. So many people are in darkness; they are ever learning and are never able to come to the knowledge of the truth; they are wise in the things of this world, but do not know anything about the Bible.

There are some people who have never read the Bible. We need to study it, and I find the Bible School is a good place to study it.

We have preaching in the school room on Friday p. m., by the students which is real interesting; also we have prayer service on Friday night the Lord blesses real good. Some times some one receives the Holy Ghost.

Pray for me that I may be able to go through this school; that I may be better qualified to work for Jesus.

Bible School student,
Zona Jones.

STUDENT FROM ILLINOIS

I am very glad of the wonderful Saviour of the world. He is such a great friend. I am happy, because I know He really saved me. Hallelujah!

Every one should praise the Lord, don't you think so? I am so glad I have a real praise in my heart for Him.

It is wonderful to meditate upon the goodness of the Lord. When we feel despondent we can pray to God and He removes the hindrance; then we feel so light and free.

I recall the time the Lord removed the burden of sin from my heart, it seems more like a dream than a reality. When I first came to school I was unsaved, but so many were praying for me, I could not remain so. On the morning of the 21st day of December about 3:30 o'clock I arose from my bed and asked my room-mate to pray for me. I thought I was ill, but when she began to pray I knew the Lord was striving with my heart, so I began to cry out to the Lord to deliver me from my distress. Others came to our room when they heard us praying. We prayed for almost an hour, and just as I concluded I had done my best, the heaviness and gloom was obliterated. I can't describe or express my feelings, but it is enough to say I now feel new.

I am so anxious to be sanctified and receive the Holy Ghost, so I can shout with the other students.

It frightens me to think I almost allowed my golden opportunity of attending the Bible school to pass by. I feel, I would have kept on rejecting the Spir-

it of the Lord, had I continued to live a frivolous life.

I do, earnestly covet the prayers of all who read this, that I will shortly receive the blessing which I desire.

A Bible School student,
Isabelle Jolly.

STUDENT FROM FLORIDA

It has only been a few months ago that I stopped one day to think about my soul's welfare. The thought came to me about how merciful the Lord has been to me; that He had spared my life through a period of thirty years, in which time I had been an ardent follower of Satan. I lived a very sinful and wicked life, a life such as would be grievous to the Father.

It was then that I decided to dissolve partnership with the old devil and make a start to serve Jesus. In so doing I found it necessary to give up my work, a work that only the devil could put his stamp of approval on. Then I began to make preparation to attend the Church of God Bible Training School, Cleveland, Tenn. In order that I might not be associated with my worldly friends, but to the contrary I could mingle with and have as my companions, Christian men and women, which would enable me to seek the Lord and work out my salvation under more satisfactory conditions.

I am glad to report that in this school I have found a gentle class of God fearing men and women who are diligently searching and studying the Scriptures, in order that they might be able to go forth and carry the Word to a lost and dying world.

I do not feel that I could be in a better place to work out my salvation, as I am daily associated with the children of God, whom I have learned to love and hold in high esteem. I have gone back and made right my past life as much as possible, by making restitutions and confessions where necessary. I am now looking forward to and praying that the time may soon come when God may wonderfully save and bestow upon me such blessings as He may see fit. I am putting everything on the altar and expect to stay in Bible School and study to prepare myself that I may be of some service in the Lord's work the remaining days of my life.

I heartily solicit the prayers of all Christians that I may be saved, and that I might hold out faithful to the end and do God's will at all times.

Harry W. Johnson.

A DETERMINATION TO GO ALL THE WAY

MEMPHIS, Tenn.—I want to thank God for being saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost with the evidence of speaking in other tongues according to Acts 2:4.

I am 14 years old and have been a member of the Church of God seven years and have never grown tired of the way. It gets sweeter and brighter and I have a stronger determination to go all the way with the Lord. Thank God.

We have a church here in Memphis with about 23 members and the Lord is still with us and blessing us wonderfully. There are three other children at this place that have the Holy Ghost. I am so glad that our whole family have the Holy Ghost and are in the Church of God. Thank the Lord for it.

I want to thank the Lord for His mighty healing power because I haven't taken a drop of medicine since I have been in the Church of God and don't intend to by the help of the Lord. I had the scarlet fever about three years ago and the Lord wonderfully healed me and I give God all the glory for it.

We have prayer meeting at our house three times a week and the Lord does bless us so good.

I have some loved ones that I want the children of God to pray for and pray for the work at this place for it is growing and pray for me that I may ever be humble at the feet of Jesus and hold out faithful to the end. I

Obituaries

CECIL

On the night of September 16, God in his all-wise providence called from our midst, our dear brother, Samuel Zacharius Cecil, age 76 years. Brother Cecil was born December 4, 1848, at Pulaski, Va., and on November 29, 1870 was united in marriage to Miss Sarah Goodykootz of Pulaski. To this happy union was given six children, all of which survive. When just a young man he united with the Methodist church, had a wonderful experience with the Lord, having been sanctified about thirty-five years ago. He attended the Seventh Annual Assembly of the Church of God, Cleveland, Tenn., where he received the baptism of the Holy Ghost.

Brother Cecil was sick for one year, but all through his suffering he trusted the Lord for his body and often longed to go home. He was a loving husband, a Christian father; and he and his companion trained their children in the fear and admonition of the Lord. Just a short time before he left us he was at the Church and testified that he was just waiting for his deliverance from this life, where he no longer would have to travel and be assisted by friends and loved ones.

He will not only be missed by his companion, children and other relatives and intimate friends who are left behind, but by the entire community both rich and poor, as he was known and loved by all.

Eternity can only reveal the souls this dear brother has led to Christ by both kindness and telling all that he came in contact with of Jesus and His love.

While our hearts are sad, home ties broken, we realize that our loss is heaven's gain. For he said our separation would be just a few days.

The funeral service was conducted at the home by Brother Trullinger, Methodist minister, his old friend and also a soldier with him for the cross of Christ. He was laid to rest in the family cemetery near Dublin, Va. to await the coming of the Lord.

Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord, from henceforth, Yea saith the Spirit, that they rest from their labors, and their works, do follow them.

God sent an angel to pluck a rose,
For to decorate a fairer place,
And claimed one from our midst,
A loving voice and smiling face.

The rose it grew and fragrance shed
To others as they passed;
But now this rose is plucked and gone
To where these roses always last.

Mrs. W. B. Davis, Pulaski, Va.

BISSETT

Mrs. Eliza Bissett died November 24, 1925. She is gone but not forgotten, never from our memory to fade, loving hearts will always linger near the place where she was laid. Written by one who loved her.—Mrs. M. L. Garby, Littleton, W. Va.

am going to school and have many persecutions but the Lord gives me grace to stand them. I know when we come across a thorn in the straight path to heaven that Jesus crossed it first.

Your little sister in Christ,
Willie Lea Horton.

ANDREW

On Oct. 14, 1925, at 8:30 a. m. the death angel visited the home of Mr. G. W. Andrew of Ruskin, Fla., and took him away to be with Jesus, his Lord, Saviour and King. He was born April 17, 1850 near Marion, Ind., age 75 years, and 27 days.

In 1892 he was married to his second wife and they live happily together for 33 years. She stood by him during all his sickness. He was taken sick a week before Christmas in 1924, grew worse June 1, 1925. He suffered intensely and would pray for the Lord to take him and trusted the Lord through it all. He had been blind for about 8 years so could not do anything, but was happy and did not complain during his affliction. He was reclaimed in 1915; received the Holy Ghost in 1916, remaining a true Christian till death.

The last words he said were: "Jesus, oh Jesus, come Jesus, Jesus take me now." All was done for him that could be done but the Lord heard and answered his last prayer. He has gone to be with Jesus and walk the gold paved streets and dwell in the mansion that Jesus has prepared for him.

He leaves to mourn his death a wife, one daughter by his first wife, four grand children, several great grand children and a host of friends. Oh, how I miss him, he would explain the Scriptures to me for hours at a time. I want you to pray for me I am alone in this place and have no one to talk to me about the Lord and explain the Scriptures to me.

I want to so live that I will meet my husband and Saviour face to face and by His grace I pray that I may hold out faithful and meet Him who died on the cross for me.

Written by his wife, Mrs. G. W. Andrew.

DAVENPORT

On May 20, 1925, the death angel visited the Davenport home and claimed Brother Henry as its victim. He leaves to mourn his death, a wife, thirteen children and a host of relatives and friends.

All was done for him that loving hands could do but the Lord saw best and took him to Himself. He was loved by everyone who knew him, but we feel that our loss is heaven's gain. His doors were always open to the gospel, and put his trust in the Lord to the end. He prayed to leave his family in the hands of the Lord. We had service in his home on Sunday before he passed away.

There were many tears shed at this we felt that we would never be able service and farewell hand-shakes for to see him again.

His body was laid to rest in the Zion Hill Cemetery to await the resurrection morning.

Farewell, my dear children,
I am going away;
I have left home very often,
But not to stay.

This time I am going,
To a country you see;
Where I can't come back to you,
But you can come to me.

—Bruce Neal, Due Ga.

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